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# VIA FACSIMILE 703-872-9306

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Sir:

Pursuant to the telephonic conference between the undersigned and SPE Patrick Ryan on February 12, 2004, Applicants hereby re-submit the following documents for filing in the above-identified application:

- 1. A copy of the Response to Office Action, mailed to the USPTO on September 9, 2003;
- 2. A copy of the Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131, mailed to the USPTO on September 9, 2003 (executed in four copies, one by each of the four declarants, and including 15 pages of attached Exhibits); and

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A copy of the Substitute Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence 3. Address filed with the USPTO via facsimile on April 29, 2003.

Applicants also enclose a copy of the stamped returned postcard, indicating that the Response and Declaration listed above were in fact timely received by the USPTO on September 12, 2003.

According to SPE Ryan, the documents listed above were never properly matched with the file apparently due to USPTO errors. Accordingly, SPE Ryan advised the undersigned to resubmit the documents via facsimile. Applicants now comply and respectfully request that these documents be promptly entered into the appropriate file and that examination of the application be continued without further delay.

Applicants also request that this application be associated with Customer No. 29052 as previously requested.

Respectfully submitted

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Paper(s) Submitted: Response to Office Action with certificate of mailing; copies of executed Declaration Under 37 CFR by Zafar Iqbal, James V. Guiheen, Dave Narasimhan, and Timothy Reng (16 pages): and Exhibits A (9 pages), B (2 pages), and C (4 pages).

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